

## WINS RECORD FOR OCEAN CROSSINGS

Dr. Brice, of the Germanic, Who Has Made 804 Trips, Long to Die in Service While at Sea.

WANTS TO MAKE 900 TRIPS OVER ATLANTIC.

At Seventy-seven Veteran of Seas is Hale and Hearty and Anxious to Continue on Ocean Until He's Buried in It.

Coastwise—cross seas—round the world and back again, Whether slow shall fail us or the Trades drive down; Plain sail, storm sail—lay your board and tack again, And all to bring a cargo up to London Town.

—RUDYARD KIPLING.

"I've crossed the Atlantic 804 times. Can I make it 900, do you think?"

Seventy-seven years old, but with the voice of the sea still calling loudly in his ears, gray-haired old Dr. Brice, surgeon of the White Star liner Germanic, holds the record for ocean voyaging, and although the Germanic has made her last westward trip to this port, the determined old sea dog is looking forward to further services, dreading above all ill luck the possibility of being retired.

At the lowest estimate Surgeon Brice's record of water travel is 2,500,000 miles; 100 times around the world.

Surgeon Brice has a fund of sea experiences, which began over fifty years ago.

"I always loved the sea," said he, as he sat in the smoking-room of the Germanic.

"When I was a young man practicing in the north of England the love of the sea got the better of me, and being in ill health I looked to ocean voyaging for a cure.

The sea has cured me. I don't feel my seventy-seven years, and it's all on account of the sea and the fact that I did not give up and rebellious liquors to my blood in my youth."

The gallant old surgeon, who has given medical aid to many distinguished voyagers in his fifty years' experience as ship surgeon, makes the homeward trip on Wednesday, but he says he will not be contented to stay on land, though he has a pleasant home on the Moreland, near Bidston, Cheshire.

"I can't stay with the Germanic, for she goes into immigrant transportation service, and I wouldn't like that."

In Surgeon Brice's arms died "Prince" John Van Buren, when the President's son was returning from England after his great social success, crowned by dancing with Queen Victoria herself.

"That was in the days when I was surgeon of the Scotia, the most important steamer of the day. I served on the Scotia before I became surgeon of the Germanic, and I've been in my present position just two years."

"I never will forget the night 'Prince' John Van Buren died. He was returning home with his daughter, and it was a sad duty we all shunned to tell her of the death of her father."

"Rufus Choate, that distinguished American ancestor of illustrious Americans, was under my care. It was at my advice we landed at Halifax, where he could be properly cared for on shore."

Favors Burial at Sea.

"I can't understand the feeling people have against burial at sea," said the old surgeon. "For me that is the only burial I desire. A weight at my feet; then overboard into the sea, down among the fishes—that is as good enough for me. May my last voyage be the one on which I die. I don't want my old body to rest on shore. I'm afraid I'm an old sea dog and I want the sea to be my last resting place."

Although the surgeon has a picturesque home in England, where he can view the sea from his windows, he is not contented to remain there long at a time.

"I have a fine home with a garden right under a lighthouse, the sea is all around me, but I want to be on it."

"I don't want to be pensioned, for I DIED IN RAILWAY COACH."

Nathan Meyer Expired on Return from Saranac Lake.

While returning from Saranac Lake in the Adirondack today Nathan Meyer, of No. 240 East One Hundred and Fifth street, died in a New York Central train just as it entered Grand Central station and he was preparing to leave the coach.

The young man was accompanied by his father-in-law, Isaac Wolf, with whom he had lived. Meyer had been in failing health and his friends in the mountains, hoping to improve. He was thirty-four years old.

TWINS AT DR. STEVENSON'S.

It was learned to-day that twin sons were born Friday to the Rev. Dr. J. E. Stevenson, pastor of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church. The babies will be named Donald and Theodore. It was announced to-day that the obstetrician in charge of the maternity hospital at the present time, Dr. Stevenson, is perfectly natural, and that any one in his enviable position would be so.

CASSINI SENDS A WREATH.

DR. BRICE, SHIP'S SURGEON, WHO HAS MADE 804 VOYAGES.



when a man is retired he always dies, and I'm good for a long while yet."

When the surgeon returns home to England after his three weeks' voyage he remains five days. Once he stayed on shore for two years, and the experience nearly killed him, he says.

While the love of the sea is dominant in the surgeon, he has had his share of dangerous experiences that would make some men loathe it.

"I'll never forget the time the Germanic sank in dock during a terrible blizzard and was under water twelve days. If she hadn't been the good boat she is it would have been all over with a lot of us."

Faced Great Storms.

Surgeon Brice was out in the gale when Capt. Williams went down with the Atlantic, and in the great storm when Capt. Grace died after fifty-nine hours' exposure on the bridge.

"The Germanic passed the America just as Capt. Grace died. That was a terrible time!"

"In a spell of bitter weather when Capt. Cameron stood for forty-eight hours on the bridge of the Majestic and had his eye frozen, the surgeon was kept busy working with the sailors who suffered from exposure."

"The greatest danger I was ever in," said the surgeon, "was during a series of catastrophes that befell the Allan line. I was at one time in the employ of the Allan Company as well as the Cunard and White Star line."

Of the many rescues in which the gray-haired surgeon has taken part, the saving of the crew and all on board the Haverth in mid-Atlantic fifteen years ago stands out in his memory.

"We saved all souls on board," they said, "explained the surgeon, "but the captain and I differed in opinion. There was poor old Dick, the ship's big Newfoundland dog, who had to be left behind, and put him in the finest steamer and gave him a big plate of biscuits and a bowl of water," the captain said, "so I hope old Dick went down with the ship like a gentleman and didn't suffer."

Even Sailors Change.

"I never like to see a dumb animal sink with a ship," said the surgeon. "And besides Dick I once saw a little terrier on board the Montego go down. The sailors tried to save her, but she was too busy chasing rats that had been forced on deck."

Surgeon Brice says there has been a great change since he started out as ship surgeon fifty years ago.

"Why, everything has changed. Not only is the old twenty-day boat that I made my first trip in supplanted, but the sailors themselves are changed."

"The old race of sailors is dying out. The old tars are no more. Now the men are more dainty, good fellows, but machine made. The old sailors had the true breath of the sea about them. The old tar, who was a piece of meat death's door, I asked to tell me how many men he had killed."

"None, sir," he answered.

"Do you mean to tell me you have never killed a Chinaman?"

"Oh, sir," he answered, "I never reckon Chinese."

Although the surgeon has spent the greater part of his life on the water, he was never seasick but once, and that was on a trip from Siberia through Behring Sea.

"I've never found a cure for seasickness, though I've seen people try about everything imaginable."

"Among the changes that have taken place I notice the rise of a spirit of friendliness between Americans and English. It was not so in the old days."

The old surgeon, who has crossed the Atlantic oftener than any "tar" who sails the seas, loves to talk of the people who have crossed with him.

"I knew Florence well, and Sir Henry POLICEMAN DROPS DEAD."

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2. "Siciliana La Vampa" (Il Trovatore)	MISS GEORGE	7. "Ode to Bacchus"	MISS GEORGE
3. Finale (A minor Concerto)	MR. PFOUTS	8. "The Bonnie Banks of Loch Lomond"	MR. GAMBLE
4. "The Horn"	MR. GAMBLE	9. "Perpetuum Mobile"	MR. PFOUTS
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